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SUBJECT: LETTERS OF CREDENCE

REF: GALLAGHER/HASELTON TELCON OF FEBRUARY 17, 1978

1. LETTERS OF CREDENCE ARE PRESENTED TO THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL,  
WITH A COPY FOR THE PRIME MINISTER, AND SHOULD BE PREPARED  
AS THOSE ACCREDITING OUR AMBASSADORS TO AUSTRALIA AND NEW  
ZEALAND.

2. BRIEF ARRIVAL STATEMENT SHOULD INCLUDE FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. DELIGHTED AND HONORED TO BE APPOINTED AS FIRST RESIDENT  
AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO FIJI.

B. APPOINTMENT IS IN RECOGNITION OF IMPORTANCE U.S. ATTACHES  
TO ITS FRIENDLY AND CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH FIJI AND THE SOUTH  
PACIFIC REGION.

C. LOOK FORWARD TO AN INTERESTING AND PRODUCTIVE TOUR IN FIJI,  
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AND TO STRENGTHENING THE COOPERATION EXISTENT BETWEEN  
THE U.S. AND FIJI AS WELL AS THE REGION.

D. AS PACIFIC NATION, THE U.S. HAS HISTORIC CONNECTIONS AND  
INTERESTS IN AREA.

3. TWO STANDARD QUESTIONS YOU MAY BE ASKED:

A. IS RESIDENT AMBASSADOR CONNECTED WITH INCREASES SOVIET AND PRC INTERESTS IN AREA? REPLY: NO. THE RECOMMENDATION TO APPOINT A RESIDENT AMBASSADOR WAS MADE THREE YEARS AGO AND IS IN RECOGNITION OF THE INCREASED IMPORTANCE OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC ON THE WORLD STAGE AND OF THE EMERGENCE OF NEW ISLAND NATIONS.

B. U.S. AID PROSPECTS? REPLY: A MODEST AID PROGRAM THROUGH VOLUNTARY AGENCIES IS IN ITS FIRST STAGES AND STRESSES THE MOST NEEDY STATES (TONGA AND WESTERN SAMOA). THROUGH THE PEACE CORPS THE U.S. CONTRIBUTES ABOUT \$3 MILLION WORTH OF ASSISTANCE TO FIJI ANNUALLY. THERE ARE ALSO LARGE CONTRIBUTIONS THROUGH MULTILATERAL INSTITUTIONS SUCH AS THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK, THE WORLD BANK AND THE UNITED NATIONS AND ITS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES.  
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